John Kriese

John Kriese, until recently, was the Chairman of the MASINT Committee. This committee is an Intelligence Community forum advising the Director of Central Intelligence and the Secretary of Defense on the status and strategic direction of US MASINT capabilities. Kriese has considerable experience in the nuclear field, first as a senior scientist with the Bettis Atomic Power Laboratory and then here at the Lab.

During his time as a Lab staff member, Kriese was a member of the Thermonuclear Applications Group and in 1980 he was named manager of a program within weapons physics. Kriese joined the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) in 1986 as chief of the Nuclear Energy Division under an Interagency Personnel Agreement appointment. Since then he has served in various leadership roles including chairman of the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee and DIA chief scientist. In his current position, as the DIA Senior Scientist for Community MASINT with CIA, Kriese facilitates the exchange of information and coordination of activities between the Weapon Intelligence Group in DIA's Directorate for MASINT and Technical Collection, and the CIA's Deputy Directorate for Science and Technology.